

Appl. No. 10/072,360
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Remarks/Arguments

The Examiner has drawn a restriction between claims 1-28 and 29. The applicant, by and through its undersigned attorney, hereby elects claims 1-28 with traverse. The Examiner has posited that the product as claimed in claim 29 can be made by another materially different process, such as selective deposition. The applicant respectfully disagrees. While other known methods may be capable of forming three-dimensional microstructures, the microstructures formed by such methods will inherently be qualitatively different than those formed by the present method. Selective deposition, in particular, is incapable of forming the overhanging structures and closed structures enabled by the present invention.

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place the above referenced application in condition for allowance and action toward that end is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further observations or comments, she is invited to contact the undersigned for resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

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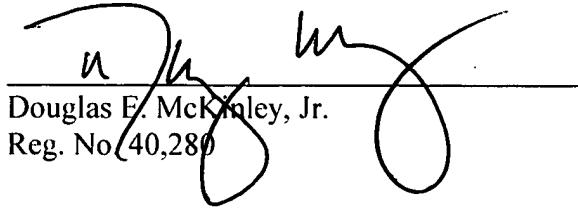


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